

# JARVIS JARGON

## Home for the Holidays!

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JARVIS successfully completed its 2006 Alaskan Fisheries Patrol, which was an overwhelming success. JARVIS met and even exceeded all missions and goals set forth during the patrol but not without stopping first for a few challenges along the way. Prior to heading home an oil leak was discovered preventing the ship from returning to Hawaii as planned without a few repairs. As a result, JARVIS will make a pit stop in San Francisco, California to repair a leaking controllable pitch propeller. With the holidays quickly approaching the crew is anxious to be reunited with their loved ones back home. Every effort will be made to make this a reality. Until then have a safe and happy holiday season!

Photo taken by SK2 Merchant in Seward, Alaska





# Happy Halloween



The winner of the Pumpkin Carving Contest was OS2 Soule with his fire breathing pumpkin!



## WINNERS OF THE COSTUME CONTEST!!

### FUNNIEST



MK1 Plottner

### MOST ORIGINAL



LTJG Millward and LTJG Krueger

### SCARIEST



BMC Vanderveen





# Holiday Spending

## HOW TO CUT YOUR HOLIDAY BILLS IN HALF WITHOUT FEELING LIKE A SCROOGE!

If you usually find yourself in January and February facing a stack of bills from holiday shopping, resolve that this year you aren't going to let the spending get out of hand. Decide that your holiday memories are going to be happy ones, not headaches! Following are strategies for spending less while enjoying your holidays a lot more.

### Credit Strategies

The perfect, fun-filled, gift-laden holiday season is just a matter of buying the right holiday trappings, right?

That's certainly what advertisers want you to believe. But you don't have to charge your way through the holidays, make them happy. If you do, you'll find yourself paying for that happiness for a long, long time.

- Be smart about how you use credit and stay in control:
- Avoid "buy now and pay later" offers designed to encourage you to spend money you don't have. These plans usually charge high interest from the date of purchase if you can't pay the bill off in full by the end of the no-interest period — or if you are just one day late with a payment. If you can't afford to pay for it now, you can't afford to buy it now.
- Keep track of your holiday purchases. Most people carry eight to ten pieces of plastic, so it's easy to lose track of holiday credit card purchases, then be in for a big shock when the bills arrive. Record all holiday purchases in your checkbook register or use Myvesta's Ultimate Spending Plan program to monitor where the money is going.
- Use a low rate bankcard instead of high rate department store cards unless you are absolutely certain you can pay the bill in full. The savings can be dramatic. For example: if you have a \$1,000 balance on a card that charges 19.8 percent and you just make the minimum payment over time, it will cost \$2,922 in interest and take more than 25 years to pay off. But if your interest rate is 14 percent, your interest charges will be closer to \$1,000 and it will take about 13 years to pay off.
- This example shows how important it is to pay more than the required minimum payment too. If you pay \$50 each month, the debt on the card with a 14 percent interest rate would be paid off in two years with only \$145 in interest. Consider carrying only two credit cards for shopping. Use one (with a zero balance) for purchases you will pay off in full. Use the other (a low-interest-rate card) for purchases you'll pay off over time — but quickly! If you are already carrying credit card balances from last year, leave all your cards at home when holiday shopping to avoid temptation.
- Avoid "skip a payment" offers that are as common as Santa around the holidays. You'll just pay more interest and face a larger bill the next month.

### Gifts

Be honest: can you even remember what gifts you received or gave over the past couple of years? We often give pricey gifts because we feel guilty or pressured — then to top it off we also feel broke!

It truly can be "the thought that counts" if you're thoughtful in your gift-giving. Make your list and check it twice. Do you really need to give all those gifts?

- For younger kids, consider giving only one or two larger gifts instead of overwhelming them with a pile of smaller gifts — especially if they can expect gifts from relatives or friends.
- For older kids, have them decide what they really want, then consider gift certificates which will allow them to buy what they want right after Christmas, when holiday sales offer lower prices. They can pocket the difference or buy even more for the same amount of money.
- For family members, discuss drawing names so you only have to buy one gift instead of many. Or agree upon a spending limit per person. Enlarged and framed family photographs make terrific holiday gifts for parents and grandparents who have "everything." Help kids make personal homemade gifts for their relatives. Even videotapes or tape recordings can be more fun than many store-bought gifts.
- Consider homemade gifts of food, plants or even services, for family members, teachers or co-workers.
- For all gifts, shop as early as possible for the best selection and prices. You won't get stuck paying a fortune for some gift you aren't sure is even right.
- Online shopping can make your season far less stressful. Make sure you understand refund policies, and don't forget to include shipping charges in your budget. (Find a great selection of the best financial books at Myvesta.org.)
- Make inexpensive wrapping paper by stamping brown packaging paper with festive ink or paint stamps.
- Send holiday post cards instead of cards and save on postage. If you're too busy to send cards before the holidays, consider sending New Year's cards in early January.
- Cut out magazine photos and words that represent the lifestyle and interests of family and friends. Varnish them onto old cigar boxes, add glitter and ribbon to finish the box.
- Cash in airline frequent flier miles for magazine subscriptions and other gifts.
- Pick a craft project your whole family can take part in, such as candle making or woodwork. Each year do something different and your friends and family will get truly memorable gifts without busting your budget. - Info Provided by Chief Hurley



OS2 Collins, OS2 Couling, and OS2 Spruill enjoy a cold but rare sunny day in Alaska.

### **December Birthdays**

YN2 Tarkenton	Dec 1
OSC Hurley	Dec 5
ETC Pruss	Dec 5
OS3 Speece	Dec 5
LTJG Masterson	Dec 8
OS3 Terrill	Dec 13
SK2 Merchant	Dec 16
ET2 Bell	Dec 20
MK1 Aponte	Dec 21
EM2 Pantohanlibre	Dec 21
OS2 Higley	Dec 21
CWO Huard	Dec 24

SN Legault, SN Thelen, and SN Booye handle lines as JARVIS gets underway from Dutch Harbor, AK.



## *Welcome Aboard*

FA Longobardi  
FA Chennault  
SA Hultgren

FN Opie  
FA Olson

OS3 Milleson  
SN Urban

## *Congratulations*

- ENS Millward, ENS Sickels, ENS Beer, and ENS Zuckerman were advanced to the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade.
- ENS Payne was named the new Bull Ensign.
- SN Garland and SA Mendelsohn were selected as Mess Cooks of the month.
- FN Meyer was selected as non-rate of the month.
- DC3 Scott, SK2 Merchant, DC2 Prior, ET1 Huber, and SKC Galletes were awarded Good Conduct Medals.
- EM3 Furlong was awarded the one year sea service ribbon.
- FN Wibley, FN Swanson, MK3 Eastmead, MK2 Lutz, and ET2 AU were awarded temporary cutterman pins.
- OS2 Spruill was awarded the Commandant's Letter of Commendation.
- OS2 Duffy and OS3 Roedl qualified as a CIC Watchstanders.
- OS2 Meyers and OS2 Couling qualified as CIC Watch Supervisors.
- LTJG Kruger and MK1 Collins qualified Underway EOW.
- DC2 Prior qualified Inport EOW.
- MK2 Lutz qualified Throttleman.
- MK1 Aponte, EM1 Johnson, and EM3 Furlong and MKC Jones qualified as U/W Machinery watchstanders
- EM1 Johnson qualified Underway Oiler.
- FN Griggs and FN Meighan qualified as Security Watchstanders.
- LTJG Beer and ENS Saviano qualified as Helicopter Control Officers.
- SN Urban, SN Roney, SA Jakubowski, SN Shinn, SA Hahner and BM3 Macri qualified as Helm/Lookout.
- OS2 Kang qualified as Radio Watchstander.
- BM3 Bamford and Tonner qualified as boat crew.
- SK2 Merchant qualified as GPOW.
- BM3 Bamford qualified as QMOW.
- SNSK Kirkpatrick advanced to SK3.





Top Left: Tie Down teams ground the helo before performing a vertical replenishment. Top Center: BM3 Macri waits as the helo approaches. Top Right: ENS Payne guides the helo in to deliver vertical replenishment. Bottom Right: Helo comes close to the flight deck as BM3 Hoggard-Tataryn attaches a load. Bottom Center: ENS Millward stands by with fueling team. Left Center: Tie down teams rush onto the flight deck to tie down the helo after landing. Center: A fuel hose is attached and raised to helo for a hot in-flight refuel.



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## *ISC Hono Clinic is Moving!*

The ISC Honolulu Clinic is MOVING!

Beginning Tuesday, January 16 2007 the ISC Honolulu Medical and Dental Clinic will be providing services from our new location at Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC). For detailed information regarding the location, operating hours, and services provided by the new clinic, please visit the newly deployed Intranet website: <http://cqweb.d14.uscg.mil/ischon/web/clinic/index.htm> or Internet website <http://www.uscg.mil/mlcpac/ischon/clinic/index.htm>

**PLEASE NOTE...**During the period of December 22nd through January 15th, the clinic staff will be engaged with moving equipment, furniture, and files/records. During this period, the Clinic services will be modified as follows:

**Medical Active Duty Sickcall** will remain from 0630 to 0730 Monday through Friday at the ISC Honolulu Clinic location at Sand Island. Routine medical appointments (follow-ups, medication refills, non-urgent conditions etc.) will be available from 0730 to 1100 Mon - Fri and 1230 to 1400 Monday - Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Appointments may be scheduled by calling 842-2930 until January 12. Beginning Tuesday, January 16 appointments may be scheduled by calling 433-9800.

**Dental Sickcall/Triage** The Dental Clinic will be closed December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 15<sup>th</sup>. Dental patients requiring sick call or urgent work during this period should go to the Makalapa Navy Dental Clinic at Pearl Harbor or call 842-2930 for direction. Beginning Tuesday, January 16 appointments may be scheduled by calling 433-9800.

We understand that this major change may inconvenience normal operations. However, we ask for your patience and understanding during this transition. The intended result of the move is to provide you with a state-of-the-art medical facility to meet your medical and dental needs.



# Thanksgiving

**The Food Service Specialists onboard worked very hard and prepared an amazing Thanksgiving Dinner for everyone onboard. The menu included:**



ROASTED TOM TURKEY  
GLAZED PIT HAM  
SMASHED POTATOES  
GRAVY  
BREAD DRESSING  
SWEET POTATOE CASSEROLE  
GREEN BEANS  
GLAZED CARROTS  
HOMEADE DINNER ROLLS  
PUMPKIN PIE  
PECAN PIE  
SWEET POTATO PIE  
CRANBERRY SAUCE  
CAESAR SALAD



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Twos weeks before JARVIS porting and all through our home, All the creatures were stirring, so I took out my broom. The clutter was building, as I looked here and there. As I sprayed Windex, pledge and RAID everywhere. The children took refuge in their warm, cozy beds, While visions of "Mommy Dearest" danced in their heads. And Daddy who is now voyaging near, Has become our children's only care.

When out in the car there arose such infestation. The roaches inside caused much devastation. Away to the store, I flew like a jet. Bug-bombed once and then twice, but not drivable yet. The car awaits a bath, you see. And, I've decided it wont be by me. The husband is only 2 weeks 'til shore, And the "honey-do" list will greet him at the door.

In addition to the roach party in the car outside, Our refrigerator choked for a week and then died. While perishables spoiled, I felt dazed and confused, but off to the commissary I went to buy food.

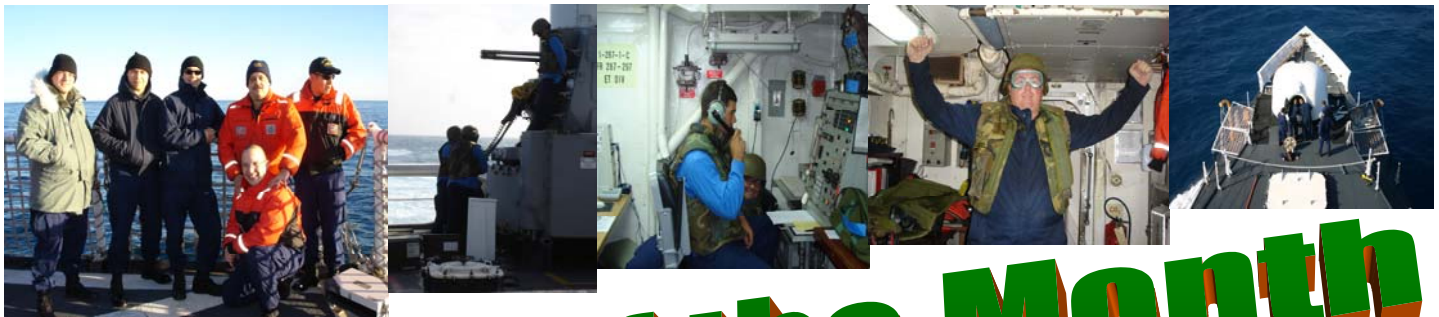
More rapid than lightening I tried to prepare, As the husband's homecoming was drawing near. Now, Bailey! Now, Sullivan! Now, Leggit and Gumper, (cats: useless), Let's clean this house, take the junk to the dumpster!

And amid the mayhem, I stopped, took a breath; then gathered my children in my arms for a rest. As we cuddled and snuggled with our hearts filled with love, The moon and the sky offered peace from above. For I know we are lucky and blessed, you see; Because Daddy will return to them and to me. So enough of the nonsense and need for perfection; Our lifestyle has taken on a whole new direction.

As a family we'll celebrate with fun and good cheer; And we'll wait excitedly for the JARVIS to be here. So, come back to us safely, our JARVIS crew; there are so many loved ones waiting for you.

By Alexis Vanderveen





# Division of the Month

## The Ordnance Division

By: ETC McAtee

So, who comprises the Ordnance Division? It is made up of two ratings, the Tactical Electronic Technicians and the Gunners Mates. We see them on the fantail and the gun decks, in the armory and Combat, walking around on the 03 deck, or climbing in and out of the “egg,” but what exactly do they do?

The primary responsibility of the Ordnance Division is to maintain and repair the cutter's two major weapons systems and to maintain and account for all small arms. Maintenance efforts are accomplished through the use of a comprehensive daily Preventative Maintenance System (PMS). Typical PMS items include maintenance on an array of “extremely complicated electronic, hydraulic, pneumatic and mechanical equipment required for computing and resolving the numerous factors that influence the accuracy of weapons fire” (Krietemeyer, 189). Another important duty of the Ordnance Division is to qualify JARVIS personnel on all weapons needed to participate as a boarding team member. This is achieved through intensive instruction at the small arms ranges, whether we are at homeport in Honolulu or deployed to Kodiak, Alaska. In addition, there are almost constantly casualty repairs needed to keep JARVIS and her weapons systems ready for all law enforcement evolutions and tactical battle scenarios.

To become a GM or Tactical ET takes intensive training starting at either TRACEN Yorktown or TRACEN Petaluma. Training can take up to 18 months to complete, and once rated, the majority of new GM's and ET's are assigned to cutters. Many Ordnance Personnel are then assigned to a second cutter, and acquire sea time at a very rapid rate.

The personnel from the JARVIS Ordnance Division also take on wide variety of collateral duties to help the unit in all phases of operation. They are often Boarding Officers, Boarding Team Members, serve as crash crew for flight operations, and hold essential positions on the bridge during navigation detail. Furthermore, many personnel participate in voluntary collaterals including being members of the morale committee, and serving as ship store and soda machine operators. One member is even an underway OOD!

It is said that personnel in the Ordnance Division are only truly happy when they are able to put rounds down range, whether it is a 9mm round or a 76mm high explosive point detonating round. They live by the motto “the best way to download is through the muzzle” and “you can never have enough bullets.”

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# Morale

Fish Call Winner:

**SK2 Merchant**Iron FS Desert  
Challenge Winner:**FS3 Wright**

\*SK2 Merchant was the Fish Call winner after catching a 70 pound Halibut!

\*FS3 Wright takes home the title of Iron FS Desert Challenge winner after beating out FS3 Brown's Kodiak Bear Claws with his Apple Cream Cheese Danish.



FS1 Luera shows off his Tiramisu which he entered in the Iron FS Desert Challenge!



Top L: MK3 Neely catches a fish during fish call. Middle L: OS1 St John and SK3 Kirkpatrick help prepare caramel apples for the crew! Bottom L: The support department cooks pizza for the crew for Saturday Morale Night! Top R: OS2 Meyers and OS2 Collins compete in the Crazy Hat Competition. Middle R: FS1 Traci Addicott serves cake at the November Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Social! Middle R: BM3 Young performs a comedy skit for the Talent Show. Bottom R: SN Garland and FN Meyer play BINGO on the messdeck during Morale Game Night!



## Embudsman's Corner

Greetings Jarvis Families and Friends:

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with laughter, love and yummy food! It's almost time!! Our waiting is almost over; just a couple of more weeks left to go and the JARVIS will be home!!! I will keep you posted as the day draws nearer, as to the expected time of arrival. Also, the Holiday Season is upon us and the following websites may be a good resource for you, with respect to Holiday events and recreation.

[www.greatlifeahawaii.com](http://www.greatlifeahawaii.com); and [www.mwrarmyhawaii.com](http://www.mwrarmyhawaii.com).

As always, please know that I am available should you need assistance and/or resources. I can be contacted at the following: [alex-isvv@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:alex-isvv@hawaii.rr.com) or 206-9639. Please note: I have young children, so I ask that you do not call me after 7:00pm. If it's an emergency, FEEL FREE to call me at any time. Thank you.

Until next time, peaceful journey....Alexis



# From the Desk of the Captain



Coast Guard Cutter JARVIS families and friends;

As I type this, Cutter JARVIS has completed a successful fall/winter Alaskan Patrol, made a side trip to San Francisco to deal with some emergent engineering issues, and is now en route Honolulu in a pretty significant seaway.

During our patrol, the crew was kept busy with operating in the typical fall and winter in Alaska, including some days where the weather was pretty good, but cold, and others where the weather was downright nasty. While on patrol the crew of Cutter JARVIS conducted twenty-one fisheries law enforcement boardings, including terminating the voyages of two vessels for unsafe operations. They were also involved in two good search and rescue cases, including taking the fishing vessel ZENITH in tow in eighteen foot seas. Throughout our time underway in Alaska, we

continued an aggressive training schedule, which resulted in a significant number of personnel advancing in their watch station qualifications, and periodically we had to deal with some engineering challenges, which without question kept the engineers hopping. I am very proud of the crew's efforts during this patrol.

As for our side trip to San Francisco, at the later stages of our patrol we identified a lube oil leak in the hub of our starboard propeller. The leak was significant enough that it needed to be repaired immediately and was not repairable while the ship was in the water. This required immediate drydocking of the ship. Based on the assessment of the Coast Guard Maintenance and Logistics Command Pacific, the location that supported the most expeditious dry-docking and making repairs the quickest was San Francisco. So we preceded at best speed from Kodiak to San Francisco. We arrived at the shipyard on a Monday, went into drydock on Tuesday, conducted the repairs to the hub and did some work on our port rudder, were refloated on Friday and departed Saturday after taking on much needed fuel.

At present we are proceeding Southwest in about 12 to 15 foot seas towards Honolulu. Will update our arrival time as we tran-

sit.....But at this point, there should be no issues with our being home for Christmas.

Speaking of Christmas, I want to wish all the families and friends of Cutter JARVIS a joyous holiday season and a great new year. Without your continuing support being deployed would be even tougher for the crew of Cutter JARVIS.

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# SHOUT OUTS!

From the Tarkenton Family: We sincerely hope that you and yours have a wonderful and blessed Christmas and a happy and SAFE New Year's 2007!!! ALOHA!!!!

Merry Christmas Mom & Dad, hopefully I will see you soon!.....LOL Traci

Shout out to my kids...daddy is almost home so get ready to drive mommy more crazy. I love you guys. To my wife just want to say... forever be mine. Love you. SN TUINEI

To my family and best friend Marissa, thanks for being the best! Its been a rough year and I don't know what I would do without you. I love you all and am looking forward to Christmas and 2007. Miss you and see you soon!!! :)

John- Don't worry we will have all of our holiday traditions. Save the tablecloth for me. See you and the dogs soon. Love-Your favorite wife

Nani-berry, my helpmate- all who are led by the spirit are sons of God and when we go to preach the manifestations and saving graces of the King all things will be given unto us because we are the seed of Abraham. No weapon forged against the kingdom will prosper. Not by power nor by might but by The Spirit of God, the King of kings and Lord of lords. -Your perfect provision, hun-a lot

Mom, Mindy, and Dad~ well our holiday plans might not turn out like planned, but I'll get there one way or another. I miss you guys and I will see you soon!!!! I promise... Love you, Mellisa Ben~ Have a safe trip underway, watch out for yourself in those port calls!!!

To Julia, Jony, JJ, Jashua and Jed: Thanks for always believing in me! Merry Christmas, and a happy new year if I don't get to see you all by then. Love you all, and always hope for the best in this new year! SN Sierra

Buenos dias todo mi familia! Sorry about the delay home, but I did have some fun. Take a look at the photo of me and my Tiramisu. It is a fancy Italian coffee cream cake. Not the winning favorite, but my best effort all around. Mom and Dad would be proud of my skills! Miss you all and looking forward to having Callie home for Christmas! Daddy "G"

-To Dawnygirl and Atreyu- Hey there baby doll! Just wanted to tell you that I am thinking of you always and that I wish I was there. Merry Christmas!!! I will see you soon! Atreyu I will be home soon and then we will talk all day and all month kay. I love you guys. Shoots! -Dom

Hi fluffy, keep the dog out of my clothes : )

I just want to tell my wife Sara and baby Hunter that I love them!!

To Bridget, Mark, & Alex: Sorry I won't be home on the sixth like I promised. I love ya'll and sure miss ya. Bill

Lindsay I love you so much and can't wait to see you soon...

I love you girls and hope you had fun birthdays. Charlie



Alaskan Sunset taken by  
SK2 Merchant